

**MINUTES OF THE
GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
March 09, 2012**

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, March 09, 2012, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bonnie Barker, LPC, Chair
Ben P. Marion, CSW, MFT, Vice-Chair
Jack Perryman, LPC
William C. Bacon, MFT
Steve Livingston, MFT
Tommy Black, LPC
Tonya Barbee, CSW
Robert King, CSW
Eunice Mixon, Consumer Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Richard Long, MFT

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Tricia Downing, Senior Assistant Attorney General
Serena Gadson, Licensure Supervisor
Shondra Chester, Licensure Analyst
Amanda M. Allen, Board Support Specialist

GUEST(S) ATTENDEES:

Gale Macke, Executive Director, LPCA
Sue Fort, Executive Director, NASW

Bonnie Baker, Chair, established a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.

Agenda:

Bacon motioned, King seconded, and the Board voted to approve the agenda with late agenda items added. None opposed, motion carried.

Minutes:

Bacon motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes from the February 09, 2012 meeting as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Bacon motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2012 Conference Call meeting as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Chair Report:

1. Ms. Barker, Chair led the Board in a general discussion regarding the withdrawal of HB445.

Executive Director's Report:

1. Mr. Zimmerman notified the Board that since all new applicants will have to provide a secure and verifiable document at the time he/she applies for licensure; to reduce duplication, the requirement to attach a photo to the application for licensure has been removed.
2. Mr. Zimmerman requested the Board to review the Continuing Education Audit Reporting form for any required revisions.
3. Mr. Zimmerman notified the Board that the administrative staff was receiving numerous calls regarding whether or not APC's and AMFT's could be paid directly for client services.
 - a. Board Response: APC's and AMFT's cannot be paid directly for client services by the client.

Black motioned, Marion seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Executive Directors report and polices as stated. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondences:

Correspondences received between scheduled Board meetings were reviewed and discussed.

- Joyce Cassino, Stephen Fishack, LaShonda Johnson, Chris Everhart, Kaye Coker, Chantay Golson, Michelle Langley, and Michelle King

Bacon motioned, King seconded, and the Board voted to allow the administrative staff to respond to all correspondences presented to the Board as directed. None opposed, motion carried.

Petition for Variance/Waiver Requests:

- Debhora Singleton, LPC004491-Rule 135-6-.04 Revocation of Expired Licenses and Reinstatement of Expired Licenses

Black motioned, Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to grant the variance/waiver request. None opposed, motion carried.

Rule Discussion Continued:

Rule 135-6-.04 Revocation of Expired Licenses and Reinstatement of Expired Licenses. Amended.

Perryman motioned, Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to post the amendments to Rule 135-6-.04 Revocation of Expired Licenses and Reinstatement of Expired Licenses for the 30-day minimum requirement upon the receipt of the memo of authority from Tricia Downing, AAG. None opposed, motion carried.

Rule 135-6-.06 Inactive Status

Bacon motioned, Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to post the amendments to Rule 135-6-.06 Inactive Status for the 30-day minimum requirement upon the receipt of the memo of authority from Tricia Downing, AAG. None opposed, motion carried.

Livingston motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, receive the Attorney General's, Cognizant, and Professional Practice Reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Barker, Marion, Perryman, Black, Barbee, King, Bacon, Livingston and Mixon

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, March 09, 2012, Ms. Barker declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

Applications:

Bacon motioned, Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following Marriage & Family Therapists applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY EXAM:

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| 1. M.A. | Denied. Educational requirements not met |
| 2. A.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 3. K.S. | Approved to sit for exam |

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST- CONTRACT CHANGES:

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| 1. P.J. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 2. Mullins, Anita | Contract changes approved |

MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY EXAM:

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| 1. M.T. | Approved to sit for exam |
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MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY EXAM WAIVER:

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| 1. Avey, Dana | Approved for licensure |
| 2. Frederick, Dana | Approved for licensure |
| 3. Kim, Young | Approved for licensure |
| 4. Schwerzmann, Ryan | Approved for licensure |

MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY REINSTATEMENT:

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| 1. M.P. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
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MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY ENDORSEMENT:

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| 1. D.M. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
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Black motioned, Mixon seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following Professional Counselors applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR – CONTRACT CHANGES:

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| 1. Alexander, Lauren | Contract changes approved |
| 2. Carlton, Christopher | Contract changes approved |
| 3. Haines, Kathy | Contract changes approved |
| 4. Harrell, Ayesha | Contract changes approved |
| 5. Leatherwood, Jessica | Contract changes approved |
| 6. Potter, Sheryl | Contract changes approved |
| 7. Swartz, Ryan | Contract changes approved |
| 8. Sweitzer, Brent | Contract changes approved |
| 9. Taylor, Victoria | Contract changes approved |
| 10. White, Tyhescia | Contract changes approved |
| 11. Wright, Tiffany | Contract changes approved |

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM:

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| 1. A.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 2. T.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 3. J.C. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 4. M.D. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 5. P.D.C. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 6. T.D. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 7. G.E. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 8. J.G. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 9. R.G. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 10. J.H. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 11. S.H. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 12. C.J. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 13. M.J. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 14. D.J. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 15. C.K. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 16. C.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 17. M.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 18. L.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 19. M.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 20. M.R. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 21. J.S.I. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 22. R.T. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 23. H.T. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 24. A.W. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 25. I.W. | Approved to sit for exam |

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM WAIVER:

1. Abolarin, James	Approved for licensure
2. Binkley, Cailey	Approved for licensure
3. Caldwell, Samantha	Approved for licensure
4. Coker, Julie	Approved for licensure
5. A.D.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
6. Dyer, Jacqueline	Approved for licensure
7. Finley, Louise	Approved for licensure
8. G.F.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
9. Greenway, Lauren	Approved for licensure
10. Hamilton, Heather	Approved for licensure
11. Krow, Sylvia	Approved for licensure
12. Lee, Felisha	Approved for licensure
13. Lopez, Meghan	Approved for licensure
14. Miller, David	Approved for licensure
15. Parks, Eden	Approved for licensure
16. Ramsey, Victoria	Approved for licensure
17. Schultze, Amanda	Approved for licensure
18. L.S.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
19. Tran, Habbia	Approved for licensure
20. Tuck, Jessica	Approved for licensure
21. M.W.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
22. Wilson, Cayce	Approved for licensure

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM:

1. K.A.	Approved to sit for exam
2. M.E.	Pending the receipt of additional information
3. T.F.	Approved to sit for exam
4. M.F.	Approved to sit for exam
5. D.H.	Pending the receipt of additional information
6. B.H.	Pending the receipt of additional information
7. T.J.	Pending the receipt of additional information
8. P.J.R.	Approved to sit for exam
9. N.J.	Pending the receipt of additional information
10. W.J.	Approved to sit for exam
11. T.K.	Approved to sit for exam
12. L.L.	Pending the receipt of additional information
13. R.R.	Pending the receipt of additional information
14. T.S.	Approved to sit for exam
15. F.S.	Pending the receipt of additional information
16. M.V.	Approved to sit for exam
17. D.W.	Approved to sit for exam

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM WAIVER:

1. Aguilar, Leah	Approved for licensure
2. K.A.	Pending the receipt of additional information
3. Ashley, Vernissa	Approved for licensure

4. Bentley, Beverly	Approved for licensure
5. Blain, Novell	Approved for licensure
6. L.B.	Pending the receipt of additional information
7. Burson, Sedara	Approved for licensure
8. Boyton, Louis	Approved for licensure
9. Burkett, Christy	Approved for licensure
10. Buser, Juleen	Approved for licensure
11. Buser, Trevor	Approved for licensure
12. Cain, Mary	Approved for licensure
13. Caine, Stephanie	Approved for licensure
14. J.C.	Pending the receipt of additional information
15. Donghia, Renate	Approved for licensure
16. Figueroa, Jefferson	Approved for licensure
17. Frazier, Barry	Approved for licensure
18. Garskie, Carolyn	Approved for licensure
19. Gentry, Gardner	Approved for licensure
20. Guldin, Kelly	Approved for licensure
21. Guzman-Figueroa, Zory	Approved for licensure
22. Henry, Eboni	Approved for licensure
23. Holland, Anne	Approved for licensure
24. Johnson, Jacqueline	Approved for licensure
25. Kay, Amy	Approved for licensure
26. S.K.	Pending the receipt of additional information
27. Kemp, Ashley	Approved for licensure
28. Lee, Dena	Approved for licensure
29. Lewis, Karen	Approved for licensure
30. Long, Brian	Approved for licensure
31. Long, Lakita	Approved for licensure
32. L.L.	Pending the receipt of additional information
33. Mack, Audrey	Approved for licensure
34. McNeill, Alison	Approved for licensure
35. Moon, Natasha	Approved for licensure
36. Rogers, Emily	Approved for licensure
37. K.S.	Pending the receipt of additional information
38. S.T.	Pending the receipt of additional information
39. Tomberlin, Kevin	Approved for licensure
40. Wagner, Kathleen	Approved for licensure
41. Walters, Elizabeth	Approved for licensure
42. Wilson, Jeffrey	Approved for licensure
43. Yilmaz, Funda	Approved for licensure

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY REINSTATEMENT:

1. Jones, Renee	Approved for licensure
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Marion motioned, Mixon seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following Social Workers applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM:

1. M.A.	Approved to sit for exam
2. J.A.	Approved to sit for exam
3. C.B.	Approved to sit for exam
4. D.B.	Approved to sit for exam
5. M.B.	Approved to sit for exam
6. V.B.	Approved to sit for exam
7. M.C.	Approved to sit for exam
8. R.C.	Pending the receipt of additional information
9. J.D.	Approved to sit for exam
10. L.D.	Approved to sit for exam
11. J.D.	Pending the receipt of additional information
12. L.D.	Approved to sit for exam
13. M.G.	Approved to sit for exam
14. T.G.P.	Approved to sit for exam
15. J.H.	Approved to sit for exam
16. D.H.R.	Pending the receipt of additional information
17. N.H.	Approved to sit for exam
18. R.J.	Approved to sit for exam
19. C.M.	Approved to sit for exam
20. A.M.	Approved to sit for exam
21. E.M.	Approved to sit for exam
22. R.P.	Approved to sit for exam
23. M.R.	Approved to sit for exam
24. A.R.	Approved to sit for exam
25. A.S.	Approved to sit for exam
26. S.T.O.	Approved to sit for exam

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM WAIVER:

1. K.B.	Pending the receipt of additional information
2. Bizier, Steve	Approved for licensure
3. J.C.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
4. D.F.	Denied, supervision requirements not met
5. Garcia, Eryka	Approved for licensure
6. Johnson, Adrienne	Approved for licensure
7. Mayes, Linda	Approved for licensure
8. Solomon, Nicole	Approved for licensure
9. Talick, Beverly	Approved for licensure
10. Terry, Laura	Approved for licensure
11. D.W.	Pending the receipt of additional information
12. Witcraft, Jeanie	Approved for licensure

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM:

1. O.B.	Approved to sit for exam
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2. D.B.	Approved to sit for exam
3. D.B.	Approved to sit for exam
4. K.C.	Approved to sit for exam
5. D.D.	Approved to sit for exam
6. N.G.	Approved to sit for exam
7. L.G.	Approved to sit for exam
8. S.G.	Pending the receipt of additional information
9. E.H.	Approved to sit for exam
10. L.H.	Approved to sit for exam
11. J.H.	Approved to sit for exam
12. T.H.	Approved to sit for exam
13. J.J.	Approved to sit for exam
14. R.K.S.	Approved to sit for exam
15. D.L.	Approved to sit for exam
16. C.M.	Approved to sit for exam
17. K.P.	Approved to sit for exam
18. E.S.A.	Approved to sit for exam
19. R.T.	Approved to sit for exam
20. K.T.	Approved to sit for exam
21. K.T.	Approved to sit for exam
22. M.T.	Approved to sit for exam

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM WAIVER:

1. Fausey, Dawn	Approved for licensure
2. Hane, Amy	Approved for licensure
3. Omachonu, Anna	Approved for licensure
4. Porterfiled, Lisa	Approved for licensure

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY REINSTATEMENT:

1. S.I.	Pending applicant interview
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STANDARDS COMMITTEE- APPLICANT INTERVIEWS:

Black motioned, and Mixon seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants for licensure by Examination appearing before the APC/LPC Standards Committee.

1. V.C.	Pending the receipt of additional information
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Marion motioned, and Mixon seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants for licensure by Examination appearing before the CSW/MSW Standards Committee.

1. J.B.	Approved to sit for exam
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Professional Practices Committee Report:

Complaint Cases Closed:

- COMP110096, COMP110108, COMP120011, COMP120034, COMP120036, COMP120050, COMP120070, COMP120071 and COMP120077

Complaint Cases: In Investigations:

- COMP120006 and COMP120079

Complaint Cases: Pending the receipt of additional information:

- COMP100031, COMP120002, COMP120019, COMP120024, COMP120032, COMP120040, COMP120042, COMP120044, COMP120046, COMP120049, COMP120054, COMP120056, COMP120058, COMP120063, COMP120064, COMP120065, COMP120066, COMP120067, COMP120068, COMP120069, COMP120072, COMP120074, COMP120075 and COMP120076

Complaint Cases: Referred to the Attorney General's Office:

- COMP110030, COMP120014 and COMP120078

Bacon motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Professional Practice Committee Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Assistant Attorney General's Report:

Tricia Downing, Senior Assistant Attorney General provided a status report, which included information on any cases referred for action.

Bacon motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Additional Board Business:

1. Association updates were provided by Gale Macke, Executive Director, LPCA and Sue Fort, Executive Director, NASW.

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, Bacon motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn today's scheduled meeting at 3:01 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Amanda M. Allen, Board Support Specialist and

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Bonnie Barker, Chair

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

These minutes were approved on: May 11, 2012